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Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims below will replace prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

- 5 1. (currently amended) A camera stabilizer for use with a camera, said camera stabilizer comprising:
- a base having a top, a bottom, a front, and a rear;
- a first rod extendable from said base;
- first support means for providing support for the base, said
- 10 first support means attached to said first rod, wherein said first rod is a telescoping rod permanently attached to said first support means and wherein said base comprises a receiving aperture at its rear adapted to receive said first rod therethrough and a second receiving aperture at its front adapted to receive said
- 15 first rod therethrough to thereby stabilize said first rod onto said base;
- second support means for providing support for the base, said second support means comprising a second rod attached to and extending from said base;
- 20 leveling means on said base for establishing a proper horizontal frame of reference
- an attaching member on the bottom of said base, said attaching member adapted to receive said second support means; and

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wherein said second support means further comprises a telescoping rod having at one end a clamping device adapted to securingly attach to said attaching member and having at a second end a means for attaching said second end to a user.

5 2-7. (cancelled)

8. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 1 further comprising one or more upstanding handles on said base.

9. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 8 further comprising gripping means on said one or more upstanding handles, said
10 gripping means for aiding a user in holding and supporting the camera stabilizer.

10. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 8 further comprising one or more vertically disposed extensions on said one or more upstanding handles.

15 11. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 10 further comprising a mounting shoe on one or more of said one or more vertically disposed extensions.

12-13. ~~(deleted)~~ (cancelled)

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14. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 1 wherein said one end is swivelable on said telescoping rod.

15. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 1 wherein said second end is swivelable on said telescoping rod.

5 16. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 1 wherein said first rod is a telescoping rod permanently attached to said base and wherein said first support means further comprises a receiving member on said first support means wherein said receiving member is adapted to receive and secure said first rod therein.

10 17. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 16 wherein said first support means further comprises an adjustment member on its front end adapted to facilitate telescoping movement, back and forth, of said first rod. ~~(original)~~

18-19. (cancelled)

15 20. (currently amended) The camera stabilizer in Claim 1[[9]] further comprising an attachably removable stopper adapted to securely fit over an exposed end said first rod, said exposed end extending frontward of said base through said second receiving aperture.

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21. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 20 further comprising a second stopper on said first rod, said second stopper adapted to fit onto said first rod at a point which prevents said first rod from moving forward after insertion into said receiving aperture and permitting the exposed end to pass through said second receiving aperture.

22. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 18 wherein said first rod comprises a locking device thereon to lock said first rod into any position into which said first rod is telescoped.

23. (previously presented) A camera stabilizer for use with a camera, said camera stabilizer comprising:

a base having a top, a bottom, a front, and a rear;

a first rod extendable from said base, wherein said first rod is a telescoping rod permanently attached to said base;

first support means for providing support for the base, said first support means attached to said first rod, wherein said first support means further comprises a receiving member on said first support means, said receiving member adapted to receive and secure said first rod therein and further comprises an adjustment member on its front end adapted to facilitate telescoping movement, back and forth, of said first rod;

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second support means for providing support for the base, said
second support means comprising a second rod attached to and
extending from said base; and

reflection means for reflecting and directing a photosensor
5 transmitting signal from a remote control device for the camera to
a corresponding photosensor receiver on the camera.

24. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 23 wherein said
reflection means comprises a mirror attached to the front of said
base.

10 25. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 23 further
comprising a tripod mounting shoe attachable to the bottom of said
base.

26. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 23 wherein said
first support means is comprised of a soft material and is
15 contoured to fit on a user's shoulder.

27. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 23 wherein said
first support means further comprises a coupling means for
receiving and securely holding an external object.

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28. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 23 further comprising leveling means on said base for establishing a proper horizontal frame of reference.

29. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 28 wherein said
5 leveling means comprises a bubble level at the rear of said base.

30. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 23 further comprising one or more upstanding handles on said base.

31. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 30 further comprising gripping means on said one or more upstanding handles,
10 said gripping means for aiding a user in holding and supporting the camera stabilizer.

32. (currently amended) The camera stabilizer in Claim ~~[[32]]~~30 further comprising one or more vertically disposed extensions on said one or more upstanding handles.

15 33. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 32 further comprising a mounting shoe on one or more of said one or more vertically disposed extensions.

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34. (currently amended) The camera stabilizer in Claim 23 further comprising an attaching member on the bottom of said base[[d]], said attaching member adapted to receive said second support means.

5 35. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 34 wherein said second support means further comprises a telescoping rod having at one end a clamping device adapted on securingly attach to said removably attaching member and having at a second end a means for attaching said second end to a user.

10 36. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 35 wherein said one end is swivelable on said telescoping rod.

37. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 35 wherein said second end is swivelable on said telescoping rod.

38-39. ~~(deleted)~~ (cancelled)

15 40. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 23 wherein said first rod is a telescoping rod permanently attached to said first support means and wherein said base comprises a receiving aperture at its rear adapted to receive said first rod therethrough.

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41. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 40 wherein said base further comprises a second receiving aperture at its front adapted to receive said first rod therethrough to thereby stabilize said first rod onto said base.

5 42. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 41 further comprising an attachably removable stopper adapted to securely fit over an exposed end said first rod, said exposed end extending frontward of said base through said second receiving aperture.

10 43. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 42 further comprising a second stopper on said first rod, said second stopper adapted to fit onto said first rod at a point which prevents said first rod from moving forward after insertion into said receiving aperture and permitting the exposed end to pass through said second receiving aperture.

15 44. (original) The camera stabilizer in Claim 40 wherein said first rod comprises a locking device thereon to lock said first rod into any position into which said first rod is telescoped.

45. (previously presented) A camera stabilizer for use with a camera, said camera stabilizer comprising:

20 a base having a top, a bottom, a front, and a rear;

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a first rod extendable from said base, wherein said first rod is a telescoping rod;

first support means for providing support for the base, said first rod permanently attached to said first support means;

5 second support means for providing support for the base, said second support means comprising a second rod attached to and extending from said base;

leveling means on said base for establishing a proper horizontal frame of reference; and

10 and wherein said base further comprises a receiving aperture at its rear and a second receiving aperture at its front, each adapted to receive said first rod therethrough to thereby stabilize said first rod onto said base.

46. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 45
15 wherein said leveling means comprises a bubble level at the rear of said base.

47. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 45 further comprising a tripod mounting shoe attachable to the bottom of said base.

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48. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 45 wherein said first support means is comprised of a soft material and is contoured to fit on a user's shoulder.

49. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 45 wherein said first support means further comprises a coupling means for receiving and securely holding an external object.

50. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 45 further comprising reflection means for reflecting and directing a photosensor transmitting signal from a remote control device for the camera to a corresponding photosensor receiver on the camera.

51. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 50 wherein said reflection means comprises a mirror attached to the front of said base.

52. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 45 further comprising one or more upstanding handles on said base.

53. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 52 further comprising gripping means on said one or more upstanding handles, said gripping means for aiding a user in holding and supporting the camera stabilizer.

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54. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 52 further comprising one or more vertically disposed extensions on said one or more upstanding handles.

55. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 54
5 further comprising a mounting shoe on one or more of said one or more vertically disposed extensions.

56. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 45 further comprising an attaching member on the bottom of said based, said attaching member adapted to receive said second
10 support means.

57. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 56 wherein said second support means further comprises a telescoping rod having at one end a clamping device adapted to securingly attach to said attaching member and having at a second end a means
15 for attaching said second end to a user.

58. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 57 wherein said one end is swivelable on said telescoping rod.

59. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 57 wherein said second end is swivelable on said telescoping rod.

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60. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 45 wherein said first rod is a telescoping rod permanently attached to said base and wherein said first support means further comprises a receiving member on said first support means wherein
5 said receiving member is adapted to receive and secure said first rod therein.

61. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 60 wherein said first support means further comprises an adjustment member on its front end adapted to facilitate telescoping
10 movement, back and forth, of said first rod. ~~(new)~~

62. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 45 further comprising an attachably removable stopper adapted to securely fit over an exposed end said first rod, said exposed end extending frontward of said base through said second receiving
15 aperture.

63. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 62 further comprising a second stopper on said first rod, said second stopper adapted to fit onto said first rod at a point which prevents said first rod from moving forward after insertion into
20 said receiving aperture and permitting the exposed end to pass through said second receiving aperture.

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64. (previously presented) The camera stabilizer in Claim 45 wherein said first rod comprises a locking device thereon to lock said first rod into any position into which said first rod is telescoped.

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